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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, and in accordance with 37 CFR §\$1.97 and 1.98, Applicants, through the undersigned attorney, submit this Information Disclosure Statement. The patents, publications or other information submitted herewith are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the foreign patents or other publications are submitted herewith.

No English translations are available for German Patents DE 1 586 766 and DE 44 45 729. However, the relevance of DE 44 45 729 is discussed in the English translation of the International Preliminary Report on Patentability (copy enclosed). Inasmuch as DE 44 45 729 is cited as the "prior art closest to the subject matter of claim 1", it is believed that no translation of the less relevant DE 1 586 766 is required.

In accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(b)(3), this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits of the above-identified application.

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